C. S. J. Thomas Johnson, Copy of N° 126 to Brigadier General Andrew Buchanan, Copy of N° 127 to the honble John Hancock Esq, President of Congress, and Copy of N° 128 to Colonels, Thomas Dorsey, John Weems, Charles Rumsey, Robert Tyler, & Nicholas Worthington; to the Committee of Observation for Prince George's, Montgomery, Ann Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Cæcil, Kent, and Queen Ann's Counties by Express; and to Captains James Brice & John Bullen.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

C. S. C. No. 125.

[Council to Gen. Johnson.]

Sir: We received your's of the 20th instant by Friday's Post, and at the same time a resolve of Congress for marching the militia of Baltimore, Harford, Cæcil and such other Counties as we may think proper. We are making out requisitions for A. A. Co, P. George's, Kent and Q. Ann's Counties, how many will turn out we know not, we fear not a great many. We intend that you should have the command of the whole, as they get up to Camp or the neighbourhood thereof. We observe what you say about the arms, and give you full Power and Authority to bring away all the arms left by the Flying Camp, provided you can get such as are good. We are sensible of the great use these arms may be of to the State, and that no money can be equal to their Value; but if only a small Proportion of Arms can be got, and those indifferent, we are of opinion you had better bring away none at all. We shall be much pleased to have a Line from you now and then to give us Intelligence how affairs go on in the Jerseys. We shall advise you hereafter how the Militia move forward. We concur with you in opinion about sending up recruiting Officers, and shall apply to the General to name one he can We are &c. depend upon.

Jany 26, 1777 Brigadier General Johnson.

No. 126.

[Council to Buchanan.]

25th January 1777.

Sir. Inclosed we send you a copy of Resolve of Congress, requesting the militia of the counties in your Brigade to march immediately to reinforce General Washington. Be pleased therefore to give the necessary orders. General Johnson, who takes the command, is already arrived at Philadelphia with the militia of his Brigade on his way to the Jerseys. Should any Commissions be wanting we will send them up to you, on